#### GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

PS – PR&RD Deptt., - Tampering of M.Books under Food for Work Programme in Balijapeta (M), Vizianagaram District – Disciplinary proceedings against Sri U.Y.Ratnam, MEO, Balijapeta (Recording Officer), Vizianagaram District, under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Article of Charges – Orders - Issued.

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PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT(VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 446

Dated.05.05.2015.

Read the following:

1.From the NEC, PR, Hyd, Letter No.Vig(1)/50341/05, Dt.28.05.2012. 2.From the NEC, PR, Hyd, Letter No.Vig(1)/50341/05, Dt.12.04.2013.

#### ORDER:

It is proposed to hold an inquiry against Sri U.Y.Ratnam, Mandal Engineering Officer, Balijapeta (Recording Officer), Vizianagaram District, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services(CC&A) Rules, 1991.

- 2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charges (Annexure-I). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charge are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure II and III).
- 3. Sri U.Y.Ratnam, Mandal Engineering Officer, Balijapeta (Recording Officer), Vizianagaram District, is directed to submit a Written statement of his defence within 10 days of the receipt of this order.
- 4. Sri U.Y.Ratnam, Mandal Engineering Officer, Balijapeta (Recording Officer), Vizianagaram District, is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.
- 5. Sri U.Y.Ratnam, Mandal Engineering Officer, Balijapeta (Recording Officer), Vizianagaram District, is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para 3 above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold the inquiry against him ex parte.
- 6. Attention of Sri U.Y.Ratnam, Mandal Engineering Officer, Balijapeta (Recording Officer), Vizianagaram District, is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services(Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matter pertaining to his service under the Government, If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri U.Y.Ratnam, Mandal Engineering Officer, Balijapeta (Recording Officer), Vizianagaram District, is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services(Conduct) Rules, 1964.
- 7. The receipt of the order be acknowledgment.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr.K.S.JAWAHAR REDDY SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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Sri U.Y.Ratnam, MEO, Balijapeta (Recording Officer), Vizianagaram District, <u>through</u> Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj Department, Hyderabad. The Engineer in Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad. (with a request to serve the charges to the individual and furnish a served copy to Government,) SF/SC.

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# ANNEXURE-I Statement showing the Draft Article of Charges against Sri U.Y.Ratnam, MEO, Balijapeta

<u>Charge I</u>:- That Sri U.Y.Ratnam while working as Mandal Engineering Officer Balijapeta of Vijayanagaram District has committed certain grave irregularities in the works taken up under FFWP and tampered the recordings in M.Books by adding/recording extra measurements in between specified lines of M.Books with different inks and violated Codal Rules. Thus he had not performed his legitimate duties and mis-utilized his official position and caused financial loss an amount of Rs.5,06,301/- to the state exchequer.

Basis: As seen from the report of Engineer in chief (PR) Lr.No.QC1/DEE 3/1663/VZM-Tampering/04, dt.3.3.2012 it has been informed in the findings that, 1) tampering was done by Sri U.Y.Ratnam Mandal Engineering Officer, Balijapeta in the M.Books by adding/recording the extra measurements in between specified lines of M.Books. Recording was done with ink pen and added measurements/extra measurements by ball pen. The misappropriated amount arrived at Rs.5,06,301/-. 2) Pass orders were made without referring to the last measurements of the billed items and M.Books and sanctioned estimates. Working estimate sanctions are not available. It is also observed that there is no link between recording of work bills and pass orders for certain works. The value of such works were arrived at Rs.24,083/-. 3) The payment authority (MPDO) has failed to verify the check measurements/billed quantities estimate quantities/working estimate sanctions per certain number of works and made pass orders in the M.Books which resulted in excess payment over sanctioned. The value arrived at Rs.72,722/-. As such the total misappropriation amount by way of tampered amounts, not check measured but bill paid and excess over sanctioned amount paid works out to Rs.6,03,106/- (rounded)

Thus he had failed in performing his legitimate duties and not shown devotion to his duties and involved in a action of moral turpitude with criminal motive for his personal gain and caused huge financial loss to the Government exchequer.

Hence the charge.

Dr.K.S.JAWAHAR REDDY SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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## **ANNEXURE-II**

# List of the documents by which the Article of Charges framed against Sri U.Y.Ratnam Balijapeta are proposed to be sustained.

1. Lr.No.Qc1/DEE 3/1663/VZM-Tampering/04, dt.3.3.2012 of Engineer in Chief (PR)

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### **ANNEXURE-III**

List of the witnesses by which the Article of Charges framed against Sri U.Y.Ratnam Balijapeta are proposed to be sustained.

-Nil-

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